

# WESTERN KANSAS WORLD

PRINTS ALL OFFICIAL COUNTY NEWS

WA-KEENEY, KANS., AUGUST 2, 1917

39TH YEAR—NUMBER 23

## THE BANK FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

You can make profitable use of this bank's service whatever walk of life you travel. It is service not narrowed down to any one line but rightly specialized in all courses proper to a safely conducted business.

**FATHER**—Business account, personal checking account, loans, collections, investments, insurance.

**MOTHER**—Household checking account, personal savings account.

**SON OR DAUGHTER**—Personal or savings club account. We make a specialty of starting the young folks right.

## The Wa-Keeney State Bank

### SOAK IT—DON'T SPRINKLE

Lawrence, July 25. The lawn sprinkler and the garden hose nozzle are guilty of killing thousands of fine blue grass lawns, aided and abetted by the man who insists on sprinkling instead of soaking it. If you must water your lawn, soak it, take off the nozzle or sprinkler and soak it thoroughly, says W. C. Stevens, chairman of the botanical department of the University of Kansas. But unless you are prepared to pull out the foxtail and crab grass, do not water the sunny parts of your lawn. Foxtail and crab grass thrive in the sun and watering helps them to thrive. If the sunny part of your lawn is too large to be hand-picked of foxtail and crabgrass, it is better to let the blue grass dry up and turn brown. It will come up green and beautiful again in the fall. But if you water it and do not continually pull out the foxtail and crab grass the blue grass will gradually die out. Shady lawns may be watered with little fear of foxtail and crab grass in large quantities. But shady or sunny lawns that are watered should be soaked, not sprinkled. The same is true with gardens, Mr. Stevens says. Soak 'em, don't sprinkle. Also water the lawn or garden any time you feel like it, whether the sun is shining or not. That's an erroneous old notion, about not watering lawns or gardens while the sun is shining. But soak it. Don't sprinkle, wetting only the surface of the soil and causing the roots of grass or other plants to come to the surface seeking moisture. Such roots are killed by the drying out that follows quickly after the sprinkling. Take off the nozzle or sprinkler and soak it.

### YOU ARE A STOCKHOLDER

You don't have to be a millionaire to be in big business. You now are a stockholder in the biggest business here. You are a stockholder in your own home town, and there isn't any business in the world that's bigger than community building. You are a big stockholder in a big business enterprise. You are paying for your stock on the installment plan. And the value of your stock, the size of your dividends, will depend entirely on your loyalty to your own home institutions. You've got a chance to do yourself a pretty good turn, if you put the right stuff into your proposition—if you put in stuff that counts for 100 point citizenship—pep and push and energy—stuff to stimulate and energize and vitalize the business activities of your town. If you sell your hamsters and buy a horn and join the boasters, you can draw down a payoff of 100 per cent on your community stock, and you can wake up some fine morning to realize that you did a mighty wise thing when you started in to boost for the old home town. Your community stock is preferred stock. You are in on the ground floor. You know just what's going on. You are helping to run things. You have a say on every question. Every man in the community is your partner. There may be a few lead partners in the bunch, but there are not many. There may be a few who are not loyal to the home town, but don't fret about it. Some folks you know, are built that way, and it takes time for them to get the vision. For yourself—you stick by the live ones. They are the men who are helping to make your community stock valuable—men who are giving you their support—men who, by all means should have your support. You need the live ones in your business. Your town, the town in which you are a stockholder, could not run without them.

(Copyright 1916)

### A REAL DILEMMA AND A FISH STORY

A letter received the first of this week from Dr. S. L. Allison, former pastor of the Presbyterian church at this place, now of Wa-Keeney, puts us in a dilemma.

Dr. Allison is one of those who thinks keeping ones debts paid up closely as possible is one of the necessary traits of Christian character. He thinks he is in arrears on his subscription to the News, and wrote us some time ago for a statement that he might keep his subscription up

to date if not in advance. He says we failed to send the statement and makes a demand for it, threatening as a penalty for our second failure to come and board with us week after week and preach to us all the time.

Now we should just love to have our old pastor with us and to hear him preach again; we well know one of his sermons would be worth many years subscription, but the boarding—well, that's a different proposition. Too well do we remember the healthy Scotch appetite that goes with that ability to preach well, and with the present high cost of living there are threatened dangers that make even the bravest shudder.

Of course we could send the statement and then accept the standing invitation from him and his good wife and in that way enjoy the preaching at a small cost, but knowing his very wholesome horror of dead beats and tightwads we're hardly brave enough to tackle that.

The doctor also tells a fish story. Not a chicken story, as you might imagine, but a real fishy fish story. Not long ago there came a terrific rain and hail storm between the two rivers north of town. The creek rose so fast the fish could not swim fast enough to keep from being carried out of the mighty channel. There being no rain west the torrent receded as fast as it came, leaving the hail and fish on the bottoms. Men dug the fish out of the hail with pitchforks, and a fair sample was left at the Manse. Some of the fish were said to weigh nine pounds, though the pastor assures us he neither saw nor tasted any such fish.

Any way it's a good fish story, and as nothing is strange or impossible in Kansas—well, who knows.—Norton News.

### KANSAN BEAT THE KAISER

A Downs Blacksmith Knew Wilhelm When a Boy

Downs, Kan., July 23.—The distinction of being the only man in the United States who ever "licked" the kaiser is claimed by Henry Drager, a blacksmith, here.

Drager was born in Prussia and spent his childhood under the very eaves of Potsdam palace. William I was then kaiser, and the present occupant of the throne, who is the former's grandson, was a small boy about Drager's age.

The old kaiser was very fond of children and in spite of the aristocratic rules of the royal house, he always had boys of the neighborhood playing around the Potsdam Park. The old kaiser himself would go out among the boys and arrange races for them, giving silver money to the winners.

**Bill Got Out on Sundays**  
The present kaiser was kept in school every day except Sunday, so the neighborhood boys never saw him on week days. But on Sundays he was allowed to play with the little boys of humble birth who lived in the vicinity. The main game was marbles. The boys in the neighborhood were all supplied with cheap "commies," as the boys of today still call them, but the future kaiser always had a big sack of expensive marbles, and the boys liked to get him into the game in the hope of winning some of his finest agates.

One day during a game the present kaiser had some of his marbles in the ring when, buy a lucky shot, young Drager won the pot. He made a grab for the marbles, but young William was quicker, and before Drager could prevent it he heir to the German throne had scooped up all the expensive marbles he had lost and was preparing to run with them.

**Sat Future Emperor Down Hard**  
In the excitement of the moment young Drager forgot all about the royal blood in the veins of his playmate—forgot that some day the little lad opposite him might be ruler of the fatherland. He forgot so completely he grabbed the future ruler of Germany by the neck and sat him down on the pavement in an emphatic manner, at the same time grabbing the highly prized marbles. The future kaiser began to cry and ran to the palace with his tale of woe. Little Henry Drager ran home, too—to horrify his parents with the

story of his act of "treason." They feared the old kaiser would be terribly angry and he would mete out some awful punishment upon the young offender. Contrary to their expectations, the old ruler passed the incident without a word, and little Henry was allowed to keep the fancy marbles.

**Would Like to Catch Him Now**  
Henry Drager is a big, strong, husky man now—and a loyal citizen of the United States. For many years he has been a blacksmith here and his constant work at the forge has developed his great muscles to almost super-human power. He still retains his German accent.

"Mein Gott!" he says, "What would I not give to get mine hands on dot kaiser now!"—Kansas City Star.

### WINNING WITH WHEAT

A Kansas parable of the sower who went forth to sow has been made into a moving picture play and the actors are all real Kansas farmers, not the whiskered caricatures found in every so called rural drama. Their actions are perfectly natural, for they know the difference between a silo and a separator. No farmer can go away from this show with the disgusted saying that it doesn't look like the real thing.

Did you ever see a mid-afternoon lunch in the harvest field? That is one of the things shown and it is really artistic because it is so perfectly natural.

The photo play has a love plot and there is a touch of the military in it, but the main theme is "Winning With Wheat," which serves as a title.

A young man gets interested in the appeal of the Kansas Council of Defense for more and better wheat, and tries to get his father to get into the game. The old man ridicules the idea, but allows his son to try out his "fool notions." The son raises 36 bushels of wheat per acre to his father's 15 and marries the girl and all goes well. But there is so much to it that you will have to see it. It has all the modern tricks of moving pictures, fade-outs, close-ups, dissolving views and beautiful Kansas scenery with everything real from the horses pulling the binder to the cat on the front steps. Competent critics who have seen it say that it is better than many of the standard productions. It's a real story with real facts for a plot and it is intensely interesting.

The wheat film will be shown at Wa-Keeney on August 11th, 1917, at 8:45 p. m., without admission charges through the kindness and patriotism of Mr. R. R. Ufford, at the Garden moving picture theatre.

### MARKET REPORT

Kansas City Stock Yards, July 31  
—Cattle receipts today were 22,000 head, market slow, steady on prime natives, top \$13.75, weak to 20 low natives, top \$12.50. Hog supply was 12,500 head, market steady to lower, top \$16.10. Sheep and lamb receipts were 3,000 head, market steady to weak, best lambs here \$14.50.

**Beef Cattle**  
Missouri heavy steers brought \$13.75, and Missouri yearlings, 1100 lbs. average, brought the same price. Best wintered grass steers sold around \$12.50, good weighty steers at \$10.50 to \$11.50, light steers and plain ones of some weight \$9.00 to \$10.25. Oklahoma again shipped lightly, 12 loads in the quarantine division, and a light run in native division, light weight steers and common cow stuff getting slow action and the full decline a quarter off in some cases, steer sales at \$6.50 to \$9.50. Receipts are lighter this week, but hot weather and clear skies, and some actual droughty spots, take the life out of the market.

**Stocks and Feeders**  
There is some action in stockers and feeders, but weather conditions are against a free movement, and prices are steady on only the best cattle, weak and lower on others. The bargain rates in effect last week are good this week, with even further declines, stock steers at \$5.75 to \$8.00, feeders \$7.75 to \$10.50.

**Hogs**  
Recent advances brought out a larger supply, and demand was good for the best hogs, prices steady, top \$16.10, medium weights up to \$15.95, lights \$15.65, bulk of sales \$15.20 to \$15.95. There was a good many common mixed hogs in the run, which sold late and some of them 10 lower. A general rain would stop the disposition to sell brood sows and light hogs in a degree, as owners would feel more like feeding valuable old corn if the country could not come new corn soon. Dry hot weather raises fear for the new crop, and results in some sacrifice of hogs that could be held with profit if the weather proves seasonable.

**Sheep and Lambs**  
Further weaknesses developed in lambs, though the best here brought same price as the best here yesterday, \$14.50. Three decks of western feeding lambs sold yesterday at \$14.60, pretty good Idaho, and choice feeding lambs weighing around 55 lbs. will bring as much as best killers or more, right along. Fat ewes sold around \$9.00, young breeding ewes up to \$14.00, common old broken mouth ewes down to \$6.00.

J. A. Richart, Market Correspondent.

The old home paper and all the county news for \$1.50 per year.

Thoroughbred O. I. C. pigs for sale; \$2.00 each. J. R. Wilson—adv 23-2t.

### DELCO-LIGHT DEALER'S DELIGHT

The annual convention of the Delco-Light dealers of district No. 32, comprising most of Kansas and Northern Oklahoma meeting in Wichita, July 26, 27 and 28, was the biggest and best yet from every standpoint. The voltage ran high, and our local dealer, Ray C. Hall, of Ellis, came back home still prouder of his connection with the Domestic Engineering Company and with a still clearer vision of this great country, with electricity and its advantages and comforts on every farm.

The convention was heartily welcomed by the city of Wichita. The recreation feature being a luncheon with the Wichita Salesmanship Club in the dining room of the Kansas Club. Wichita recognizes the Delco-Light organization, a new and valuable addition to its other industries. The following editorial appeared in the Wichita Beacon, of July 27:

It is not often that one sees a big splitting agency projected out of a commercial enterprise. Obviously the primary idea of any business organization is to make money.

"But there is one striking thought about the convention of Delco-Light dealers now in session in Wichita. It has been ascertained by a canvass made by sociologists that there is no factory which tends to keep boys and girls on the farm so much as the simple matter of having running water and electric lights in the house. A little analysis will demonstrate to the thoughtful why this is true.

"The keeping of the boys and girls on the farm is a problem peculiar to the period. It is demanded by the sociological conditions. That is why this sort of commercialism can be especially commended.

Mr. H. H. Grant, general manager of the Domestic Engineering Co., and Mr. E. G. Bryne, of the service department, Prof. C. E. Reid, of the Kansas Agricultural College, special representative of the storage Battery Co., and from the Burnett-Larsh Mfg. Co., also, Mr. Herzstam, Dayton distributor, and practically every dealer in the district were present.

It is an inspiration to come in contact with men like Mr. Grant, but a still greater inspiration to hear his review of the past year's work, and his outlook of the future. A little over a year ago, the first Delco-Light plant was commercially put in service. Now, there are about 30,000 enthusiastic and satisfied users. The future of Delco-Light is absolutely assured. In the present great world crisis, all eyes are turned toward the farmer, even though some other industries should have to be shut down, because of material and labor shortages. The production of Delco-Light must be increased, because it adds so much to the efficiency of the farms.

### WHAT HAPPENED TO SLACKER.

Las Saturday when the draft numbers of the persons who have to appear before the exemption board came out in the papers, great excitement prevailed at Grainfield. Some of the boys that were drawn were walking down the street together and saw Roy Oches (the slacker of Gove county) who lives south of Grainfield. It is stated this slacker voted last fall and gave his age as 24, but at the time of registration stated that he was 19. He has been making his sbrags about how he fooled the people and it is reported that he has been carrying a gun to attack the first man who said anything to him about not registering. This worked the boys up to the utmost pitch for fighting, and one of them walked up to him and throwing up his fist, went at him like a ton of brick, hitting him one on the side of the head and knocking him cold on the ground. The boys thought for a few minutes that he was dead, but he soon got up and another one of the boys took a crack at him.

The SLACKER went to some of the people there in town to get them to protect him, but no one had any sympathy for him because he had not registered and was not worthy of the protection of the people or the flag.

The boys went to his car, got his gun, took the shells out of it and told him to leave town. Out of it and told him to leave town. But the same evening returned to town with his Russian friend and they were going to clean up on the Grainfield bunch, but soon made their retreat to the country, as their hearts failed them and they were not sure of the person of whom they were in pursuit, and there are too many people there who do not think any more of a slacker than they do of a yellow dog.

We believe the slacker deserved all that he got but that he did not get all that he deserved, for as long as a man is under the protection of the United States he is no better than the other boys and should take his chances with them and risk his life for the country.—Grinnell Record.

Fred Shaw, foreman of the World office, and George Niesley, clerk in W. W. Gibson's drug store, went up to Colorado Tuesday night where they intend spending the next two weeks at Denver and other places of interest. Fred is the right hand machine man in this office and if the paper does not look as well as usual for the next two weeks it will be on account of his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Kirk arrived home the first of the week from Kansas City where they have been for several weeks and where Mr. Kirk has been receiving treatment for an injured knee received last winter. He has not entirely recovered, but is much improved.

Subscribe for the World.

## MARGARET SWIGGETT

Bonded Abstracter

Insurance

Farm Loans

Wa-Keeney, Kansas

(Register of Deeds of Trego County Eight Consecutive Years)

## DIAMONDS, WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY

I got them, I sell them, I repair them. Goods cheerfully shown and estimates on work given free. All goods sold or repaired absolutely guaranteed.

### WATCH REPAIRING A SPECIALTY

A. S. TREGER, Wa-Keeney, Kansas.

## Central College of Osteopathy

729 Troost Avenue

KANSAS CITY, MO.

15th Year—Opens September 10. Full four year course. Tuition same as for three year heretofore. Certificate issued on completion of third year if desired, with the privilege of finishing fourth year at any time without additional cost. Students can make clinic practice equal tuition. Write for particulars.

### NINETY-NINE WILL APPEAR NEXT WEEK.

The county clerk has sent out notices to ninety-nine of the young men of Trego county who are on the draft call for service in the United States army. Thirty-three have been notified to appear Monday, thirty-three Tuesday and thirty-three Wednesday. Each notice bears the date for the party to appear and he is to be on hand at that time. He need not come in earlier but must be there on that day. The examination will be held at the court house and will be conducted by C. H. Benson, county clerk, Peter DeBoer, sheriff, and Drs. A. B. Jones and W. Y. Herrick. There are several grounds on which exemptions can be claimed but it does not mean that all will be exempt who make the claim. It makes no difference if a young man knows that he is physically disabled for service, he must appear for the examination. His exemptions will be decided upon by the examining board and all those who are exempted will be given instructions as to future actions or as to what will be required of them.

The original quota for Trego county was 65; this was reduced to 49 by 16 young men who were admitted to the National guards previous to the first of July.

### COMMENT

When I am talking with another fellow and he becomes nervous, restless or show other signs of disinterest I take the hint and go away. I wish some other fellows would be as considerate of me.

The only difference between a Sunday Chautauqua and a Sunday base ball game is that there is less noise at the Chautauqua and there is no betting on the results. They are both conducted for profit and are a desecration of the Sabbath day.

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the country, the Red Cross and the Y. M. C. A.

So far as I have been able to learn at present writing, there were no slackers in Trego county—at least none will admit it.

Dram the draws is Hopper's hobby and, of course, it is not appreciated by any at present, but when future generations are sitting in the shade of some of the trees which were planted on account of Hopper's continual preaching he will be called blessed. It is ever thus with he who rides a hobby. Dammed by one generation and blessed by another.

He is generally referred to as a trouble maker who tries to see to it that all laws, be they small or great, are enforced or observed, but I think the fellow who violates the law is the trouble maker.

Some young people think they have accomplished a great deal if they are able to make a mash on a Chautauqua lad or lassie, but as a rule such people are easy marks.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Walker and two daughters, Misses Edna and Eva, and Mrs. S. L. Shorthill, departed Tuesday night for Loveland, Colo., where they expect to spend the next three or four weeks at their mountain resort.

Harvey Rodgers went down to Salina last Saturday night where he joined a students regiment of the Kansas National guards.

A big reception was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Berry Thursday, July 26, in honor of their daughter Hazel who was united in marriage to Mr. Ernest Spitznagel at Colby, Kan., on July 21, 1917. A delicious supper was served and a large crowd attended. The table being beautifully decorated with flags and roses. Many beautiful presents were received. The guests were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Kline, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Poffenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Henry DeWitt, Mr. and Mrs. Will Trowbridge, Mr. and Mrs. George Sweet, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Berry Mrs. Mae Bloomberg, Mrs. Laura Trowbridge, Mother Berry, Mrs. Melroy, Misses Ruby and Stella Hoover, Lizzie Hobbick, Lula Frence, Mae Britt, Ethel, Beulah, and Elva Trowbridge, Ruth Tupper, Messrs Dick Selby, Ralph Berry, Ira Hobbs, Arthur Barker, Andrew Olson, Jess Platts, Russell Hoover, Odie Braddy, and Pearl Britt. The music was furnished by Ruby Hoover, Miss Lula Frence and Mr. Clyde Berry entertained us by singing. The bride and groom were Mae Britt and Ralph Berry. Miss Britt was dressed very beautifully as well as the bride. Her dress was pink chiffon. The bride wore white georgette silk. Miss Hoover played a beautiful march as the four marched to the front. The groom introducing his wife to the audience, then went to supper. After supper a charivari crowd came with bells and pans in many car loads after their treats. The crowd departed wishing the bride and groom a long and happy life.

### Subscribe for the World.

J. M. Rinker transacted business at Hays Monday.

Mrs. Jack Wood was here last Saturday visiting with friends.

Found—Boys serge coat. Call at this office and pay charges and receive coat. Adv. 23-tf.

Miss Anna Razek, of Collyer, visited with Wa-Keeney friends the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nelson, were down from Quinter Monday transacting business.

Gid Joy, the A. O. U. W. organizer of Quinter, was here Monday on business in connection with the order. He was accompanied by his daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Walker and children departed Tuesday night for a pleasure trip to California and the west. They expect to be gone for about six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman and children arrived home last Thursday afternoon from their extended pleasure trip to Missouri and other eastern points. They were absent for several weeks.

Walter Burnham was here a few days the last week as a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Burnham. He is employed by the Kansas City Bridge Co., and is constructing a bridge for that company at Ellsworth.

G. W. Musgrave came in tonight from Kansas City where he had been with a shipment of cattle and reports over 30,000 head of cattle on the market again Monday, but says it is surprising how cattle are holding up in weight.—Ellis Headlight.

Col. Eppler received the following message Thursday morning: "Wichita, Kansas. Dear father: Ruth arrived O K on the overland limited. Grandson 4 hours old; not eligible to register, dut talking and drinking water out of a cup. All doing well. Archie."—Ellis Headlight.